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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**


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In re application of: Joseph R. Hedrick, et al.

Attorney Docket No.: IGT1P060/P-568

Application No.: 09/921,489

Examiner: Kim T. Nguyen

Filed: August 3, 2001

Group: 3713

Title: PLAYER TRACKING  
COMMUNICATION MECHANISMS IN A  
GAMING MACHINE

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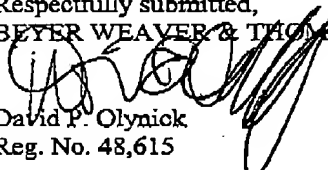
Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

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	Claims After Amendment		Highest Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Small Entity Rate Fee	Large Entity Rate Fee
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- ☐ Applicant(s) hereby petition for a \_\_\_\_\_ month extension(s) of time to respond to the aforementioned Office Action.
- ☒ Applicant(s) believe that no (additional) Extension of Time is required; however, if it is determined that such an extension is required, Applicant(s) hereby petition that such an extension be granted and authorize the Commissioner to charge the required fees for an Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136 to Deposit Account No. 500388.
- ☒ Please charge the required fees, or any additional fees required to facilitate filing the enclosed response, to Deposit Account No. 500388 (Order No. IGT1P060).

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 3, 2003 please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 15 of this paper.